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Food Prices

1. The following is a list of food prices in Albania during the month of July 1955:

Bread	60 lek per kg.
Sugar	200 lek per kg.
Meat	130 lek per kg.
Butter	350-700 lek per kg.
Rice	130 lek per kg.
Macaroni	75 lek per kg.
Oil (cooking)	280 lek per kg.
Soap	130 lek per kg.
Eggs	10 lek each
Shoes (poor quality)	1500 lek per pair
Shirt	800 lek each

Maliq Sugar Factory

2. The sugar factory in Maliq is in full operation from October to December or January when beet-roots are harvested. During these busy months the plant employs about 1,200 workers and produces 8,000 kgs. of sugar per day. In the slack season the plant employs from 450-500 workers to service and repair the plant's machinery (sic). The plant manager is Tiri Mano, age 40, from Korce and the plant engineer is Sulejman Luniko, age 38 from Shkoder. There are 15 Soviet technicians assigned to the factory.

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Hydro-electric Stations

3. Hydro-electric stations are located in the following villages near the Greek border area: Sinice, Dardhe, Arëze, Bozhigrad, Mengulaz, Zicishte and Qyteze.

Qyteze Village

4. The village of Qyteze, which is under the Rreth of Bilisht, consists of 65 houses and about 60 families most of whom have relatives in the United States. The inhabitants are Greek Orthodox but speak Albanian. The village has a hydro-electric station and each family pays 30 leks per month for electricity. The village is located in mountainous area and has little land suitable for cultivation.
5. The People's Council consists of the following:

Chairman: Hristo Pandeli Luka,
 Secretary: Kosta Elia Filip,
 Members: Jovan Nikolla Luka
 Kosta Grigor Manika,

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6. The local unit of the Albanian Workers (Communist) Party consists of the following:

Party Secretary: Jovan Sideri,
 Members: Jorgji Apostol Mihali (or Tase),
 Mico Sotir Luka,
 Harito Sotir Gago,

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7. The local unit of the Democratic Front Organization consists of the following:

Chairman: Mico Sotir Luka
 Members: Pandeli Vasil Karakosta
 Kiraco Ilia Koli

8. Other official positions:

- a. People's Commissar: Sotir Totoni,
 b. Youth Organization: headed by Nikolla Ilia Koli.

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9. The following village inhabitants are armed:

Mico Jovan Sidheri,
 Jovan Nikolla Luka,
 Hristo Pandeli Luka,
 Petro Anastas Karakosta,

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